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Memorandum

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Subject: STATUS REPORT #5 AND RENEWED REQUEST TO MODIFY SCHEDULE FOR THE LAFAYETTE BACKUP GENERATING FACILITY SMALL POWER PLANT EXEMPTION (20-SPPE-02)

In its December 23, 2020 order directing parties to file Monthly Status Reports, the Committee ordered the parties to file and serve a Status Report on or before the 10th of each month.

Staff continues to wait for an applicant filing detailing project changes as a result of the December 12, 2020, letter from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District relating to Best Available Control Technology (BACT) for emergency backup generators. Staff has also not received responses to Data Request Set 3, which was docketed October 6, 2020, and included questions in the technical areas of Air Quality, Transportation, and Utilities and Service Systems. Staff also awaits responses to Data Requests 64 to 67 (thermal plume) and 92 (below grade drawing) from Data Request Set 1.

Staff continues to make progress on the Initial Study in those areas unaffected by the project's conversion to Tier 4. Staff also continues to monitor the other SPPE proceedings to inform the Initial Study where appropriate.

In its Status Report #4 filed on April 9, 2021, staff requested a modification to the language in the October 26, 2020 Committee Scheduling Order. Staff renews its request in this status report.